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SUBJECT: PROPOSED ASSIGNMENT OF DEA SAIC TO BRASILIA

REF: STATE 2770

1. EMBASSY IS IMPRESSED WITH PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS OF JAMES P. GREENE, PROPOSED AS DEA SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE IN-COUNTRY FOR BRAZIL. WE ARE PARTICULARLY LOOKING FORWARD TO BEING ABLE TO USE HIS TRAINING EXPERTISE IN THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE BRAZILIAN VERSION OF THE DEA NARCOTICS TRAINING COURSE AT THE FEDERAL POLICE ACADEMY. EMBASSY CONSIDERS IT ESSENTIAL, HOWEVER, THAT GREENE HAVE A MINIMUM OF S-3, R-3 IN PORTUGUESE TO PERMIT ADEQUATE LIAISON WITH BRAZILIAN POLICE AUTHORITIES, THE MOST IMPORTANT PART OF HIS DUTIES IN BRAZIL. WE UNDERSTAND THAT IT HAS BEEN SEVERAL MONTHS SINCE GREENE COMPLETED LANGUAGE TRAINING.

2. UNDER THESE CIRCUMSTANCES, EMBASSY CONCURRENCE TO ASSIGNMENT IS CONTINGENT UPON ONE OF FOLLOWING ALTERNATIVES: (A) THAT GREENE'S ASSIGNMENT TO BRASILIA BE POSTPONED FOR APPROXIMATELY TEN WEEKS TO PERMIT ADDITIONAL PORTUGUESE LANGUAGE TRAINING

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AT THE FOREIGN SERVICE INSTITUTE. WE EXPECT THAT

SAIC ROCK'S ASSIGNMENT WOULD BE EXTENDED FOR THIS TIME USING ADDITIONAL PERIOD, IF FEASIBLE, TO PERMIT OVERLAP; (B) THAT GREENE BE ASSIGNED TO BRASILIA AS PLANNED BUT IN ORDER TO UNDERTAKE POST LANGUAGE TRAINING FOR APPROXIMATELY TEN WEEKS FOR A MINIMUM OF FOUR HOURS DAILY WITH THE UNDERSTANDING THAT DEA WOULD UNDERWRITE COST OF TRAINING. ROCK ASSIGNMENT WOULD BE EXTENDED FOR THIS PERIOD OF TIME. PRINCIPAL DRAWBACK IS THAT TRANSIENT APARTMENT IS NOT AVAILABLE FOR GREENE FAMILY AND WHILE GOVERNMENT-LEASED HOUSE FORMERLY OCCUPIED BY OUTGOING CULTURAL ATTACHE MAY BE AVAILABLE FOR THIS PERIOD, IT WILL BE FURNISHED ONLY WITH THE BAREST NECESSITIES; (C) THAT GREENE BE ASSIGNED TDY TO RIO DE JANEIRO TO UNDERGO APPROXIMATELY TEN WEEKS LANGUAGE TRAINING AT THE AMERICAN CONSULATE GENERAL OR AT A COMMERCIAL BERLITZ TYPE IMMERSION COURSE TO BE FUNDED BY DEA. TRANSIENT 3-BEDROOM APARTMENT IS AVAILABLE. ROCK ASSIGNMENT WOULD BE EXTENDED FOR THIS PERIOD OF TIME.

3. PLEASE ADVISE.
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